



PAPAYA LEAF

Botanical Name: *Carica papaya*

Common Name: Papaya, pawpaw

Medicinal part: Leaf

Description: The papaya is the plant *Carica papaya*, one of the 22 accepted species in the genus *Carica* of the family *Caricaceae*. It is native to the tropics of the Americas, perhaps from southern Mexico and neighboring Central America. It was first cultivated in Mexico several centuries before the emergence of the Mesoamerican classical civilizations.



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